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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Personnel

SUBJECT

: Retirement Policy

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1. I am in general agreement with the provisions of the retirement policy paper which you submitted on 20 February 1968 following our meeting with the Executive Director-Comptroller, the Deputy Directors, and others on 8 February. I believe, however, that a specific recommendation should be included under paragraph 3 to provide for the needs of the Deputy Director for Intelligence and perhaps others as reflected in the statements contained in paragraph 3b. I suggest this recommendation be numbered 3d and be stated along the following lines:

"In a limited number of cases the Deputy Director concerned may recommend an extension of the retirement date for individual personnel whose continuing production and essentiality is deemed necessary for the efficient operations of the Directorate concerned."

2. Also for consideration as an additional recommendation is a reference to the need for further study as to the means by which some recompense may be provided for persons who retire early under the Civil Service System and under the CIA Retirement System. While not specifically covered in our previous discussions, there is a reaction in the DD/S staff that some consideration should be given to provide an adjustment between the annuity rate granted by the Civil Service System and CIA System so that under a single retirement age criteria there will be an equitable balance in the annuities earned.

SIGNED R. L. Bannerman

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

: Retirement Policy SUBJECT

- 1. This memorandum submits recommendations for your approval; such recommendations are contained in paragraph 5.
- 2. As you know, the Agency's retirement policy has been the subject of much discussion and review these past few months. To accelerate completion of the review so as to be able to submit specific recommendations to you, I convened a meeting on 8 February 1968. Present were each Deputy Director, the General Counsel, the Inspector General, the Director of Personnel, and Emmett D. Echols in his capacity as Chairman, CIA Retirement Board. A detailed agenda, attached at Tab A, was prepared in advance. A record of our discussion is attached at Tab B.

3. Summary

- a. Our discussion was based on two assumptions:
- (1) The Director has unquestioned legal authority to enforce an early retirement policy.
- (2) Legislation of any kind is difficult to obtain. Hence, we must first try to settle those things which we can do without legislation and then proceed to those things which are desirable but which would require legislation.
- b. The principal issue, and that from which all others flow, is





Approved For Release 20 pay p **1**3 : CIA-RDP84-00780R002400020072-7 whether the Agency should have a policy requiring retirement earlier than provided by law under the Civil Service Retirement Act, or the CIA Retirement and Disability System for GS-18's and above. After considerable discussion, it was the consensus that there should be an early retirement policy with a stipulated age at which most employees should leave. At the same time, it was recognized that because the Directorates have different problems, Agency policy should be flexible enough to permit liberal exceptions when justified. This appears to be particularly true in the Intelligence Directorate because of the various types of professional employees needed and because these professionals often are individuals who have prepared themselves through academic study for long-range professional careers where an arbitrary retirement age would not be a condition of employment. It is essential, also, that a rationale for this policy be prepared so that it will be understood by our employees or in the event it becomes necessary to explain the policy to Congressional committees or in court.

- c. Having reached agreement that the Agency should have an early retirement policy with provision for exceptions to meet particular needs, we then discussed the types of exceptions that could be identified and action recommended in advance. General agreement was reached on the following:
 - (1) There should be no general exception for employees who argue that at the time they entered on duty they were led to believe (or now believe) that they had the right to work until age 65 or 70.
 - (2) There is a small group (12) of Agency employees who will not have 12 years of creditable service by their scheduled retirement

employees to retire at age 60 with 30 years of service or at age 62 with at least five years of service. When the Civil Service Retirement Act was amended in 1966 to include a provision for optional retirement at age 60 with 20 years of service, Agency policy was in turn revised. There were some employees who prior to the revision in Agency policy had been informed that their scheduled retirement would be at age 62 and presumably planned accordingly. With the change, their scheduled retirement age was lowered. We feel that these employees should be

if they so request. This does not include those employees who at age 60 have at least 30 years of service since this was a requirement under the earlier Agency policy.

(4) An overall exception should be made for the group of printers
who were induced to transfer from the Government Printing Office
to the Agency with the assurance that they would not lose any benefits.

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- (5) There should be no overall exception for lower graded clerical employees. Each such case should be considered on its own merits.
- (6) There should be no overall exception for employees with technical skills in grades GS-7 and below even though it might be difficult to recruit replacements and their loss would create training problems. Each such case should be considered on its own merits.

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- because they are writing Agency history.
- 4. Also discussed at this meeting was the matter of compensating employees who retire early under either the Civil Service Retirement or the CIA Retirement systems. This issue was tabled pending further study.
 - 5. It is recommended that
 - a. the Director reaffirm as Agency policy that employees covered by Civil Service Retirement be required (not merely "encouraged" or "expected" as currently stated in Agency regulations) to retire voluntarily upon reaching age 60 or as soon thereafter as they are eligible for optional retirement, i.e., age 60 with 20 years of service or age 62 and a minimum of five years of service.
 - b. the mandatory age for retirement under the CIA Retirement and Disability System be set at age 60 for employees GS-18 or above, as it is by statute for employees GS-17 and below, and
 - c. overall exceptions as indicated in paragraphs 3c. (2), (3), and (4) above be approved and that the Director of Personnel be authorized to approve exceptions for the employees affected.

L. K. White Executive Director-Comptroller

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The recommendations contained in paragraph 5 are approved.

Richard Helms Date
Director of Central Intelligence

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RETIREMENT POLICY

I. GENERAL

- A. The Director has unquestioned legal authority to enforce an early retirement policy.
- B. Legislation of any kind is difficult to obtain. Hence, we must first try to settle those things which we can do without legislation and then proceed to those things which are desirable but which would require legislation.

II. DISCUSSION

- A. Should CIA have an early retirement policy, i.e., retirement earlier than the law normally requires? If so, what is the rationale?
- B. At what age should retirement normally be required?
- C. Should the policy be the same for personnel serving under different retirement systems, i.e., Civil Service and CIA?
- D. Should it be the same for all components or career services of the Agency?
- E. Should there be exceptions for:
 - Personnel who at the time they joined CIA thought or were led to believe, or now believe, that they had the right to work until age 65 or 70? (The law is, of course, controlling under the CIA System.)
 - Those who do not have twelve years of creditable service at retirement age? (This is important for insurance benefits.)
 - 3. Those not yet age 62 who do not have twenty years of service? (This assumes that the answer to B above is something lower than age 62.)

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- 4. Those who until 1967 were exempted until age 62? (They have not had the many years of advance notice given to other employees.)
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 - 7. Wage Board employees generally?
 - Lower-graded clerical and-blue-collar-workers?
- 9. Those with technical skills in grades GS-7 and below for whom it is difficult to recruit replacements and whose loss would create training problems (Communications and Finance)?
 - 10. Those individuals of unusual qualifications who cannot readily be replaced?
 - 11. Those for whom a short-term extension is needed in order to train a replacement?
- 12. Those writing histories?

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III. PROBLEMS REQUIRING FURTHER STUDY AND/OR LEGISLATION

- A. Recompense, in addition to the annuity now provided by law, for persons who retire early
 - 1. Under the Civil Service Retirement System.

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- It is to record the deliberations at a meeting called by the Itmoutive Director-Comptroller at 1400, 8 February. Present were: Meetrs. Earnerman, Duckett, Karamessines, Smith, Houston, Earner, and Webtles. Colonel White distributed copies of the attached outline which provided an agenda for the meeting. He introduced the discussion by commenting on the two paragraphs of I., soying that if we cannot make the assumption of I.A., there was no purpose in the meeting. As to I.B., he elaborated on the point that because of our recent history of failure to get legislative action on other matters including annuity cost-of-living improvement, it seemed wise that we not plan to resolve our retirement questions through legislation but rather to do what we could within comment authorities. The Deputy Directors were asked to comment, in turn, on the basic issue, II.A.
- 2. Mr. Emith addressed himself to both questions. He could sceept an early retirement policy only if it included provisions for liberal excoptions. He argued that his professional employees are professionals in the broader cause; i.e., that they were people who had prepared themselves through academic study for professional careers which could have been found outside the Agency and that in such outside employment arbitrary retirement for age was not a condition of employment. He agreed that there are managein my problems but that stringent managerial actions based on the Director's chest authority could accomplish the desired results. He argued that our electurationed in this Agency are not unique and that the rationale as presented in draft would not support early retirement as a policy. He recogmired that there my be a rationale but he had yet to see it stated. Interin appending on his position, he said that any policy must accommodate both monagement and employee points of view. And finally, that should the Assured adopt a single retirement policy for both systems with a liberal policy for exception, it would be his practice in the Intelligence Direcconta rather than to make extensions the exception for the rare individual, sport professionals who were making an adequate contribution would be extouded to age 62. Mr. Smith argued that we were attempting to establish long-range policy and should not let current personnel management problems be overriding.
- 3. Mr. Rennerman held the position that we need a policy of early retirement across the board to move out the old generation. There is a great need to introduce current skills and background—to update the professional and technical competence of the Support area. He ergued that there should be a single policy there are two systems. He said

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Carther that the use of the word "expected" in the present regulation a most mischief and was looked upon by his people as playing games—

therefore, that there should be an unequivocal supposed of the policy.

- the Mr. Krramessines said that he needed the earliest possible retirement ago for three reasons. The first being the serious problem of covering the overseas employment of older people. He not infrequently found himself in the position of trying to send out a men who obviously by years and ability was senior to the embassador in whose mission he would serve. Second, it was critically important that he maintain a high level of mental and physical vigor in his Career Service; the work is assembling and tiring. Third, he needed to provide the opportunity for appeals career progression and referred to the ferment in the younger reads 13-14 group which, though not yet unmanageable, did exist and was of concern. He also raised the question of the menagement problems which would be generated if we had a different policy for the two systems.
- 5. Mr. Duckett said the Science and Technology Directorate would have minimal problems over the next few years although there are some for whom early retirement is desirable and necessary. He would urge reconsideration of the standards by which people are now put in the Agency Craven--it being his belief that this provided the proper instrument for handling those specific cases. He made the argument that we appeared in our efforts to get the CIA System to have established the need for two systems, and to argue now for a single policy--which in a sense seemed to be arguing for a single system--would seem to damy our earlier position. (Colonel White observed that we had tried to get a single system but that Congress had denied it.)
- 6. In Houston, when asked for his comment, said that he personally likes an early retirement policy but that he was concerned with what he saw as a potentially serious political problem in an effort by the Agency to capley an early retirement policy, observing that Congress itself runs on the semiority principle and the idea of early departure was therefore likely to be unpopular there.
- 7. Mr. Earman fixed on an observation made earlier by ir. Karamesoines that a 30-year service formula rather than just age would be the best approach. He did recognize that age would have to be included and suggested that perhaps some combination of service and age that provided a decent annuity was the answer.
- 8. After further clarifying discussion, Colonel White summarized the same of the group which was that there ought to be one age at which most employees should leave, but that the different components having different problems and different reasons for making exceptions should be provided within a fixed policy the opportunity to adapt to their respective



conditions. Further, the statement of rationale should be redrafted to rafflest the corse of the day's discussion, and should be in such form that the Command Counsel could use it in court or before our committees and also could be provided to all Aparoy employees to explain the Aparoy command position.

- 9. Consideration was then turned to II.E. of the attached where questions were raised about 12 possible exceptions. Taken by number the following agreements were reached:
 - (1) There should be no general exception.
 - (2) Yes.
 - (3) Age 62 or 20 years of service, whichever comes first. (In effect-current policy.)
 - (4) Yes, if requested by the employes.
 - (5) Yes.
 - $\binom{6}{7}$ Will be studied further by the Deputy Director for Support.
 - (8) No.
 - (9) No.
 - (10) These can be dealt with under the general policy.
 - (12) No.
- 10. The issues, under III., dealing with the problem of additional recompense which might require legislative action were left for further study by the General Counsel, Mr. Houston, and the Special Assistant to the Deputy Director for Support for Special Studies, Mr. Echols.

/s/ Robert S. Wattles

Robert S. Wattles Director of Personnel

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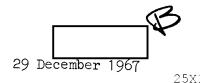
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EMPLOYMENT AFTER RETIREMENT AGE

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- Upon retirement, employees are expected to sever active connections with the Agency. There will be instances, however, in which continuation in service is necessary or clearly in the best interests of the Agency.
- There are four ways in which the services of an employee may be continued after reaching retirement age:
 - His appointment may be extended upon approval of the Director (1)
 - (2) The employee after retirement may be reemployed with or without a break in service by an appointment of specified duration or by recall by the Director
 - The employee's staff status may be converted to that of contract employee prior to retirement. Such conversion will usually continue normal employee benefits such as retirement, FEGLI, and health benefits during the term of the contract.
 - (4) The employee, after retirement, may be rehired as a contract employee, independent contractor, or consultant.
- POLICY 2.
- CONTINUATION IN SERVICE BEYOND RETIREMENT AGE
 - An employee may be extended in service as a staff employee (1b(1) above) or may be converted to contract-employee status to perform staff-type duties (1b(3) above) only when the individual has skills and knowledge required by the Agency not available in other personnel on a timely basis. Requests shall be explained and attested to by the Operating Official concerned and shall require the approval of the Director. Extensions shall be for a stipulated term, usually not more than one year unless renewed.

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(2) In instances where there are personal circumstances which clearly substantiate that retirement will constitute an extraordinary personal hardship and it is established that the individual can be fully employed, the employee may be retained in service with the approval of the Director. Requests should be submitted at the earliest possible date to the Director of Personnel.

b. REAPPOINTMENTS

Persons who have optionally retired earlier than Agency retirement age may be reappointed if there is a requirement for their particular skills and knowledge not available among on-duty personnel on a timely basis. Such reappointment will be for a stipulated term not to exceed the date of attainment of Agency retirement age. Continuation in service thereafter shall be in accordance with 1b(1), (2), or (3) above.

c. ORIGINAL APPOINTMENTS

Persons beyond Agency retirement age will not be originally appointed without the approval of the Director. Such approval will only be granted where the individual possesses rare and outstanding qualifications which the Agency requires.

d. CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYMENT OF ANNUITANTS

- (1) No contract employee shall perform staff-type duties. Such duties are defined as employee duties performed in Agency facilities, using classified Agency materials and performed pursuant to instructions and supervision of staff employees, unless positions requiring such duties have been provided for in approved projects or have otherwise been exempted from ceiling and other staff manpower controls. With this exclusion, annuitants, whether retired from this Agency or any other agency of the Government, may be hired and used in any appropriate contractual capacity for which there is a requirement and for which they are preeminently qualified. The Director of Personnel shall monitor all contract employee assignments with respect to appropriateness of duties to be performed.
- (2) Contracts of employment with annuitants will normally be written for a term of one year and contain a 30-day termination clause. Renewals will be based on and justified by evidence of continuing need and by demonstrated effectiveness of the annuitant. Requests for renewal will so attest and be approved by the Operating Official concerned.

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- 3. COMPENSATION PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES
- a. EMPLOYEES EXTENDED IN SERVICE

The classification of the position to be occupied shall dictate the grade of an employee extended in service beyond retirement age. If the grade of the position is lower than that of the employee, his grade will be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.

- b. CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYMENT OF ANNUITANTS
 - (1) The classification of staff positions, particularly in the upper grades, is preponderantly based upon managerial, organizational, and supervisory responsibilities. Since contract employees may not perform staff-type duties, these elements of position classification will not normally be present to an equivalent degree in the contractual position, although the latter may have its own similar responsibilities. Accordingly, the gross contractual salary of a reemployed annuitant will normally be lower than that held as a staff employee.
 - (2) The grade of the job to be performed by a reemployed annuitant will be established by normal position classification procedures. If the grade is in excess of GS-15, the approval of the Director of Central Intelligence is required. The salary to be paid for any grade so established shall be negotiated with due regard to the special qualifications of the individual relative to the requirements of the assignment and the effort required of the individual. In no case may the salary exceed that of the step closest to 90 percent of the current salary of the individual's grade and step at time of retirement.
- c. Under present law when a civilian Government employee, retired for longevity, is rehired as an employee, his annuity usually continues but his gross contractual salary is reduced by the amount of the annuity received. A reemployed annuitant may not receive a combination of salary payments and annuity payments which exceed the gross contractual salary of the duties he performs during the period of his reemployment.

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d. ANNUITANTS ENGAGED AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

- (1) The contractual fee paid an annuitant under an independent contractor agreement will be determined by the nature and value of the services to be rendered except that the individual's retirement annuity plus the contractual fees paid him during the contract year normally may not exceed 90 percent of the current salary of the grade and step held by the annuitant at the time of his retirement.
- (2) Unless there is a clear and overriding operational justification, no housing expense, cost-of-living expense, or other payments in the nature of benefits and perquisites commonly accorded employees shall be authorized.
- (3) Operational expenses must be specifically authorized in advance by the appropriate authority.
- (4) The contract shall include a clause stating that on request of the Government the individual shall submit to a medical evaluation by a mutually agreed upon physician.
- (5) The independent contractor must not, in fact, be used as an employee.
- (6) An Agency official shall be designated as responsible for monitoring the performance of each independent contractor and to attest annually that the terms of the contract have been met and that full value has been received. Instances of unsatisfactory performance or insufficient value received shall be corrected promptly.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

R. L. BANNERMAN Deputy Director for Support

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the DD/S for Special Studies

SUBJECT

: Rationale of CIA Retirement Policy

1. Reference is made to our conversation and to your draft paper on "Rationale of CIA Retirement Policy." I have several suggestions for your consideration in your final draft.

2. I suggest in paragraphs 2 and 3 on the first page that the statements of "mission" be strengthened by utilizing the exact wording as it appears in the National Security Act of 1947. For paragraph 2 I suggest that the National Security Council's mission be stated as follows:

"The function of the Council shall be to advise the President with respect to the integration of domestic, foreign and military policy relating to the national security so as to enable the military services and the other departments and agencies of the Government to cooperate more effectively in matters involving the national security."

In paragraph 3 while the official definition of the CIA mission is rather lengthy I think it could be summarized as follows:

"To advise the National Security Council in matters concerning such intelligence activities of the Government departments and agencies as related to national security;" and among other responsibilities "to correlate and evaluate intelligence related to the national security and provide for the appropriate dissemination of such intelligence within the Government using where appropriate existing agencies and facilities."

3. At the bottom of page 4 the last sentence beginning, "The only solution..." and the beginning of the first sentence at the top of page 5, "There is yet another factor... span in CIA," I suggest these be deleted and these two sentences be put later on in the document but in a positive sense as, "Therefore, the Agency determined that..."

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- 4. At the bottom of page 5 the last sentence starting "Nevertheless approximately ...," I think this should be deleted as the figures quoted would be timely only as of this hour and are subject to continuous revision. It tends to detract from the value of the paper rather than add to it.
- 5. Per our discussion please consider whether we still require professional employees to serve anywhere, any time at the discretion of the Director. Certainly this applies to the DD/S and DD/P services and it is my recollection it applies to all Agency services. If so it would be a valuable statement in developing the rationale.

SIGNED R. L. Bannerman

R. L. Bannerman
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